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1. Shimon GINUSSAR, State of Israel Minister in Rome, at 1000 hours, 12 March 1950, received FLINGHESTEIN, also FLINGHESTEIN also FLINGHESTEIN, aka FLINGHESTEIN, Belgian national, resident in Milan, suspected purchaser of arms, with whom he had a long conversation behind closed doors, in the presence of Ben Zion RADURY and Arlo GORN, respectively, Counsellor and 1st Secretary of the Legation.

2. On 12 March 1950 the Minister went to Via Nemorana 365, Villa Maria Pia, to visit the Apostolic Nuncio, Monsignor Francesco ORIOLO DUCA. At 1730 hours, 15 March, the Minister went to Palazzo Barberini to a reception held by General Claudio TREZZANI, Chief of the General Staff.

3. At 2030 hours, 16 March 1950, Minister GINUSSAR entertained the following named at dinner in his home on Viale di Villa Massima 33:

- a) Bernabé Samuel GONZALES RIOS, Argentine Ambassador, and wife;
- b) Caruassca, Under Secretary of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy;
- c) Alpoia, Director General of Public Health, and wife, Italy;
- d) Radury Ben Zion, Counsellor of the Israel Legation, and wife.

4. At the Quirino theater in Rome from 28 to 31 March there was held four extraordinary performances under the patronage of Minister GINUSSAR by the lyric company of the Ohel Theater of Tel Aviv. Minister GINUSSAR sent tickets to the following named persons:

- (Conza) FORZA, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Italy;
- (Caruassca) Caruassca, Under Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- French and Polish Ambassadors;
- Rumanian, Guatemalan, Albanian, Hungarian, Dutch, Czechoslovak and Yugoslav Ministers;
- (Marina) Marina, head of Ceremonies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- (Caruassca) Caruassca, Vice-head of Ceremonies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- (Caruassca) Caruassca, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- (Caruassca) Caruassca, Vice-Director General of the Foreign Culture Relations Directorate.

5. Minister GINUSSAR and dependent functionaries of the Legation celebrated Jewish Easter at Lungotevere Canal 14 in the headquarters of the Israel Community where they stayed from the early hours of the afternoon of 1 April until 0200 hours the following day.

6. On 3 April 1950 Minister GINUSSAR invited to dinner at his home Ben Zion Radury, Minister of Defense of the State of Israel.

On the morning of 7 April Minister GINUSSAR departed with his wife by auto, allegedly for a trip to Assisi, Foligno, San Marino and Rimini, returning to Rome at 1000 hours the following day.

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8. Samuel KADURY, Counselor of the Israel Legation, on 26 and 27 March received the above mentioned FLSINGERSTEIN, who came to Rome from Milan in a Plymouth automobile, licence B. 612712. On 2 April 1950 KADURY departed for Florence, returning to Rome on 8 April 1950.
9. Arie ORON, 1st Secretary of the Legation and FLSINGERSTEIN went to the Ministry of Defense at 1130 hours, 20 March. It was reported on 29 March 1950 that ORON from time to time receives in his office the lawyer Massimo TEULIO, businessman, living in Genoa, Passo Assaro No. 3. After each visit ORON goes in to the radio and photographic office, where employees and low ranking personnel of the Legation are known to be prohibited entrance. Avv. TEULIO stays at the Hotel Atlantico in Rome where he receives visits from numerous foreigners and Italians.
10. It was reported that Dan AVNI and Arthur BROCK, attached to the Israel Intelligence Service, have returned to their offices in the Legation after a long absence from Rome. AVNI received a telephone call from Geneva at 1630 hours, 11 April.
11. The person who has been mentioned as YANK, assigned to radio transmissions of the Israel Legation, on leaving Rome on 5 January 1950, was identified as Michael HARARI. This was revealed from a post card sent to his colleague from the following address: HACHASHAL.2 -S.T. Tel Aviv.
12. Yehuda Salo, son of Leone, head of the photo lab of the Israel Legation, departed on 25 March by automobile for an unknown destination, returning to Rome on 31 March.
13. On 20 March 1950 it was reported that Edmond STOKES, from time to time, has talks at the Fiametta theater with unidentified Egyptians.
14. YIDRON Abraham, Israel citizen, service passport No. 461, issued on 30 October 1949, arrived at the Ciampino Airport on 29 March 1950, coming from Paris. It was reported that he has been working for about two months in the Legation as head of clerical personnel. He is the son of Shlomo and of Rivka HAEMAN, born at Ouyria on 19 November 1910, living at Corso Trieste 171. He came to Italy from Paris. It was added that from time to time he makes trips by air and by rail to Paris.
15. It was reported that the Austrian Jew, Zul MARZAKAY, son of Carlo and of Paula, born in Vienna on 26 March/1920, has been working since 2 February as Secretary of the Consular Section of the Legation. He came to Rome from Tel Aviv with passport No. 526 (service) issued on 23 January 1950.
16. The pigeons, previously reported, which are believed to have been acquired abroad for the Israel government are 13 in number. On 10 March 1950 they were returned to the box in which they arrived in Rome and taken by automobile to Ciampino Airport and consigned to the Captain of the Israel civilian airplane going to Tel Aviv.
17. Ben Hatan SHUP, born in Vienna on 15 February 1918, Consular Inspector of the State of Israel, passport No. 427, issued on 27 September 1949, arrived in Rome on 20 March 1950 and took lodgings at the Hotel Flaminio.
18. Benjamin SHAJM, citizen of the State of Israel, service passport No. 520, issued on 12 February 1950 at H akirya on 13 March came to Rome from Lyda.

19. Jacov DOY and Badan DOY, diplomats, bearers of passports No. 357 and 358 respectively, issued on 30 October 1949 at Hakirya, arrived in Rome on 1 April 1950 and took lodgings at the Hotel Eden. On 5 April they departed for an unknown destination by air.
20. Levy KOL, citizen of the State of Israel, service passport No. 105, issued on 20 January 1949 at Hakirya, on 11 March came to Rome and took lodgings at the Hotel Mediterraneo.
21. Victor CRUERE, Counselor of the Air Attache to the Ministry of Transports and Communications of the State of Israel, service passport No. 536, issued on 2 February 1950 at Hakirya, on 29 March came to Rome and took lodgings at the Hotel Bernini.
22. Bon KISEMI, diplomatic passport No. 113, issued on 2 September 1949 at Hakirya, on 14 March 1950 came to Rome accompanied by his wife and took lodgings at the Hotel Flora.
23. Mazur, officer of the Israel Navy, bearer of ordinary passport No. 08716, issued on 21 August 1949 at Hakirya, arrived at the Hotel Massimo d'Azeglio, Rome on 3 April. On 4 April he departed for an unknown destination.

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